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Susan S. DeSanti, Director Office of Policy Planning Federal Trade Commission Washington, D.C. 20580

Re: AN ACT CONCERNING COOPERATIVE HEALTH CARE ARRANGEMENTS
Connecticut General Assembly H.B. 6343

Dear Ms. DeSanti:

We understand that the Office of Policy Planning has contacted the Office of the Connecticut Attorney General regarding the above legislation. The bill would require the Attorney General of Connecticut to review applications for cooperative arrangements among competing health providers. A copy of that proposed legislation can be accessed at http://www.cga.ct.gov/2011/TOB/FI/2011HB-06343-R02-HB.htm and is attached.

Please advise whether the Pederal Trade Commission would have any concerns regarding the potential impact on competition and the viability of state action immunity based on this bill.

Smoerely

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